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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to Rule 53(f) and Rule 54, please find enclosed a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for the application of Arindam Datta, Shawn Thayer Huxel, Dennis D. Jamiolkowski, Yufu Li, and Kevor S. TenHuisen entitled BIODEGRADABLE STENT, attorney Docket No.ETH-1685-CIP, to complete, pursuant to Rule 51, this application filed on June 24, 2003, by Express Mail pursuant to Rule 10. As required, a copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application is also attached.

Please charge Johnson & Johnson Deposit Account No. 10-0750/ETH-1685-CIP/WKW in the amounts of \$130.00 for submission of the Declaration pursuant to Section 1.16(e). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 10-0750/ETH-1685-CIP/WKW. This sheet is submitted in triplicate.

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